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EDUCATION

Ph.D., 1998. Department of Political Science. Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, New Jersey.
B.A., Magna cum laude, 1990. Wellesley College, Wellesley, Massachusetts.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2016 -- **Professor, Department of Political Science, Gender and Women's Studies Department, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory**
2021 Visiting Professor, University of Chicago (fall)
2021 Visiting Scholar, University of Chicago (spring)
2016 -- 2018 Director, Bio-Humanities Initiative, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities
2009 -- 2016 Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Gender and Women's Studies Department, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory
2007 -- 2009 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Gender and Women's Studies Program, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois.
2001 -- 2007 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Gender and Women's Studies Program
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois.
2001 -- 2004 Research Assistant Professor in Communications, Institute of Communications Research, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois
2000 -- 2001 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois.
1998 -- 2000 Visiting Assistant Professor, Women's Studies Department, University of California--Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, California.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Biocultural Creatures: Toward a New Theory of the Human (Duke University Press, 2016)
Samantha Frost and Diana Coole, editors, *New Materialisms: Ontology, Agency, and Politics* (Duke University Press, 2010).
Lessons from a materialist thinker: Hobbesian reflections on ethics and politics (Stanford University Press, 2008). Selected for the **First Book Award** by the Foundations of Political Theory Section of the American Political Science Association, 2009. The First

Book Award recognizes the best first book by a scholar in the early stages of his or her career.

Articles and chapters

- “The attentive body: How the indexicality of epigenetic processes enriches our understanding of embodied subjectivity” *Body and Society* vol. 26, no. 4 (2020)
- “Attentive bodies: Epigenetic processes and concepts of human being” in *A Multidisciplinary Approach to Embodiment: Understanding Human Being*. Ed. Nancy Dess (Routledge: 2020), pp. 35-9.
- “Hobbes, Life, and the Politics of Self-Preservation: The Role of Materialism in Hobbes’s Political Philosophy” in *Interpreting Hobbes’s Political Thought* ed. Sharon Lloyd (Cambridge University Press, 2019).
- “Ten theses on the subject of biology and politics: conceptual, methodological, and biopolitical considerations.” *Handbook of Biology and Society* ed. Maurizio Meloni, John Cromby, Des Fitzgerald, and Stéphanie Lloyd (Palgrave Macmillan 2018).
[Appears in Spanish translation as “Diez tesis sobre biología y política: consideraciones conceptuales, metodológicas y biopolíticas” trans. María Victoria Sánchez in *Neomaterialismo, vida humana, materia viviente y el cosmos* ed. Marta Palacio (Cordoba/Buenos Aires, Argentina: Editorial Prometeo, 2018).]
- “Challenging the Human x Environment Framework” in *Oxford Handbook on Environmental Political Theory*, ed. John Meyer, Teena Gabrielson, Cheryl Hall, and David Schlosberg (Oxford University Press, 2016).
- “Reconsidering the Turn to Biology in Feminist Theory” *Feminist Theory* Vol.15, No.3 (2014): 307-326.
- “Body, The” in *The Encyclopedia of Political Thought*, ed. Michael T. Gibbons, Diana Coole, Elisabeth Ellis, Kennan Ferguson (Wiley-Blackwell, 2014).
- “Biotechnologies: Reinventing the State of Nature” in *The Sage Handbook of Globalization* ed. Manfred Steger, Paul Battersby, and Joseph Siracusa (Sage Press, 2014).
- “Appetite and Aversion,” “Body,” and “Cause” in *The Bloomsbury Companion to Hobbes*, ed. Sharon Lloyd (London: Bloomsbury, 2013).
- “The Implications of the New Materialisms for Feminist Epistemology” in *Feminist Epistemology and Philosophy of Science: Power in Knowledge* ed. Heidi Grasswick (Springer, 2011): 69-83.
[appears in French translation as “Ce que les néo-matérialismes font à l’épistémologie féministe.” Trans. Isabelle Clair et Marion Coville. *CSS—Comment s’en sortir?* No. 7 (2017)]
[appears in German translation in *Feministische Epistemologien: ein Reader*, ed. Katharine Hoppe and Frieder Vogelmann (Suhrkamp Verlag 2024)]
- “Fear and the illusion of autonomy” in Diana Coole and Samantha Frost, eds., *New Materialisms: Ontology, Agency, and Politics* (Duke University Press, 2010).
[appears in Spanish translation as “El miedo y la ilusión de la autonomía.” Trans. Juan A. Fernández Manzano y Gustavo Castel de Lucas. *Las Torres de Lucca*. No. 9 (Julio/Diciembre 2016): 175-200.]
- Diana Coole and Samantha Frost, “Introducing the New Materialisms” in Samantha Frost and Diana Coole, editors, *New Materialisms: Ontology, Agency, and Politics* (Duke University Press, 2010).
- “Hobbes and the Matter of Self-Consciousness” *Political Theory* Vol.33, No.4 (August 2005): 495-517
- “Just Lie: Lessons from Hobbes on the Cultivation of Peace” *Theory & Event* Vol.7, No. 4

(Summer 2004)

“Faking It: Hobbes’s Thinking-Bodies and the Ethics of Dissimulation” *Political Theory* vol.29, no.1 (February 2001): 30-57.

“Reading the Body: Hobbes, Body Politics, and the Vocation of Political Theory” in *Vocations of Political Theory*, eds. Jason A. Frank and John Tambornino (University of Minnesota Press, 2000).

Essays

Tamari, Tomoko. "Interview with Samantha Frost on ‘The Attentive Body’: Epigenetic Processes and Self-formative Subjectivity” *Body and Society* Vol. 27, No. 3 (2021): 87-101

“Foreword” in Joshua I. Newman, Holly Thorpe, and David L. Andrews, eds *Sport, physical culture, and the moving body: Materialisms, technologies, ecologies* (Rutgers University Press, 2020).

“What is the matter? On Mika Rottenberg’s *Spaghetti Blockchain (2019)*” in *Mika Rottenberg: Easypieces* ed. Margo Norton (New York: New Museum, 2019)

“The biocultural is a pluripotent concept for theory: a response to six provocations” A contribution to a symposium on *Biocultural Creatures* called “Theory at the Frontiers: The Prism of the Biocultural” *Theory & Event* Vo. 21, No. 2 (April 2018)

“Richard Flathman and the rule of that and which” A contribution to “For Dick, In Memoriam” in remembrance of Richard Flathman. *Theory & Event* Vol.19, No. 1 (2016)

Reviews

“Review of Deboleena Roy’s *Molecular Feminisms: Biology, Becomings, and Life in the Lab*” *Catalyst: Feminism, Theory, Technoscience* Vol. 5, No. 2 (2019): 1-4.

“The laborious tissue” (book review) *BioSocieties* Vol.10, No. 4 (2015): 495-499.

“Not all concepts are oppressive” (book review) *Radical Philosophy: A Journal of Socialist and Feminist Philosophy* No.174 (July/August 2012): 48-9.

“Hobbes’s Politically Subversive Messianism” (book review), *Theory and Event* Vol.13, No.1 (2010).

“Hobbes out of bounds” (review essay) *Political Theory* Vol. 32, No.2 (April 2004): 257-273

Bibliography on and selected reviews of publications in Hobbes scholarship in the US for the year 2002 to appear as part of the “Bibliographie critique internationale des études hobbesienne pour l’année 2002” in *Archives de Philosophie: Bulletin Hobbes* Vol. XVI (2004) by invitation.

Other publications

Bunch, Charlotte and Samantha Frost. "Women's Human Rights" in *Routledge International Encyclopedia of Women: Global Women’s Issues and Knowledge*, ed. Cheris Kramarae and Dale Spender (Routledge, 2000).

This article is also included in *Encyclopaedia of Women’s Studies*, volume 4, ed. Subhadra Channa (New Delhi, India: Cosmo, 2004)

This article is also reprinted in *We/Myi: The Women’s Dialogue*, issue 5 (21) (2003) (A Russian periodical published in Moscow)

This article is also published or linked on-line by various international organizations:

Center for Women’s Global Leadership: www.cwgl.rutgers.edu

Jura Gentium (Italy): www.dex1.tsd.unifi.it/juragentium/it/top.html

The Center for Legislative Development (Philippines): www.cld.org/menu.html

MOF (Balkans?): www.mof.org.mk/thesisid=6&matid=12

Ośka (Poland): www.oska.org.pl/english/institut/bibliography.html

U.S. Consulate Lahore (Pakistan):

<http://usembassy.state.gov/lahore/wwwhbmarch04.html>

Stop Violence Against Women (Minnesota, US):

www.stopvaw.org/Domestic_Violence_Explore_the_Issue.html

Bunch, Charlotte and Samantha Frost. "Empowerment" in *Routledge International Encyclopedia of Women: Global Women's Issues and Knowledge*, ed. Cheri Kramarae and Dale Spender (Routledge, 2000).

Bunch, Charlotte, Samantha Frost, and Niamh Reilly. "Making the Global Local: International Networking for Women's Human Rights," *Women and International Human Rights Law*, Volume 1, Kelly Askin and Dorean Koenig, eds. (New York, NY: Transnational Press, 1999).

This article is reprinted as

Bunch, Charlotte, with Peggy Antrobus, Samantha Frost, and Niamh Reilly, "International Networking for Women's Human Rights" in *Global Citizen Action*, ed. Michael Edwards and John Gaventa (Lynne Reinner Publishers, Inc., 2001).

This article is also included in translation in:

Los Derechos de las Mujeres son Derechos Humanos: Cronica de una Movilizacion Mundial (Center for Women's Global Leadership, 2000) and

Les Voix des Femmes et <<les Droits de l'Homme>> (Center for Women's Global Leadership, 2000).

Exhibitions

"Lecture doodles" *On Drawing Drawing On*, Reva and David Logan Center for the Arts, University of Chicago, Chicago IL. January 28-March 13, 2022.

"Untidy Objects" Reva and David Logan Center for the Arts, University of Chicago, Chicago IL. May 2021-December 2022.

In progress

"The life by which I live: rethinking our relation to the world"

"Learning about use from Native American thinkers"

Biocultural Empire: New Histories of Imperial Lifeworlds, co-edited with Antoinette Burton and Renisa Mawani (under contract, Bloomsbury Press).

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Neubauer Collegium Research Grant (\$25K) for Unity Objects, with Sara Black, Marc Downie, and Amber Ginsburg. Neubauer Collegium for Culture and Society, University of Chicago (2023-2025).

Humanities Released Time Award (\$18K), "Chapter 4: The Unencumbered Self," University of Illinois Research Board, Fall 2023.

Scholars Travel Fund Award, University of Illinois Research Board, Fall 2022, Fall 2013; Fall 2011; Spring & Fall 2008; Spring & Fall 2006.

Andrew W. Mellon Collaborative Fellowship for Arts Practice and Scholarship (\$60K), with Amber Ginsburg and Sara Black, Gray Center for Arts and Inquiry, University of Chicago 2020.

Peter F. Nardulli Scholar Award, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois 2019, 2018, 2009.

Project Coordinator, "Arendt on Earth: From Archimedean Point to the Anthropocene," Humanities Without Walls Consortium Grant (\$138K), P.I. Prof. Mary Dietz (Northwestern University) 2017-2020.

IPRH-Mellon Biohumanities Faculty Fellow, University of Illinois, 2016-2019 (Directing the IPRH-Mellon Biohumanities Research Group ~\$660K)

Provost Grand Challenge Learning Leadership Fellow, University of Illinois, Spring-Summer 2015 (Executive Co-Chair for the “Health and Wellness” stream)

Conrad Humanities Scholar, College of LAS, University of Illinois (\$25,000) 2014-2019

Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory Senior Fellow, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, University of Illinois (\$8000) 2014-2016

Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities Research Cluster grant for “Queer Ecologies,” with Jennifer Monson (Dance), University of Illinois (\$2500) 2014-2015

Humanities Released Time Award, University of Illinois Research Board (\$14,000), Fall 2014

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation New Directions Post-Fellowship Award (\$50,000), Fall 2011.

Arnold O. Beckman Award, University of Illinois Research Board (\$12,200) grant for Research Assistant (Spring 2011, for academic year 2011-2012).

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation New Directions Fellowship, (\$197,000) 2010-2011.

First Book Award, Foundations of Political Theory Section of the American Political Science Association, 2009. The First Book Award recognizes the best first book by a scholar in the early stages of his or her career.

University of Illinois Research Board grant (\$7625) supporting a Research Assistant and activities related to “The Politics of Perception: Science, Art, Politics” faculty research seminar, Spring 2009

Provost grant for “The Politics of Perception: Science, Art, Politics” faculty research seminar (\$10,000) Spring 2009.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation grant to organize a two-week visiting fellowship and a state-of-the-art conference (\$31,000), UIUC, Spring 2006

Humanities Released Time Award, University of Illinois Research Board, Fall 2004

Dissertation Fellowship, Rutgers University. 1996-1997.

The Walt Whitman Center's Kettering Fellow, Rutgers University. 1995-1996.

Marion Johnson Fellow, Rutgers University. 1991-1995.

Graduate Scholar Award, Rutgers University. 1991-1993.

J. Allen Smith Fellow, University of Washington. 1990.

TEACHING AWARDS

Lynn M. Martin Award for Distinguished Women Teachers, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Illinois, Spring 2010. The Lynn M. Martin Award is designated to promote exceptional achievement in undergraduate teaching by women.

List of teachers ranked excellent by their students Fall 2022 (PS 521); Fall 2021 (PS 375); Spring 2021 (PS 300; PS 372); Fall 2020 (PS 375), Spring 2020 (PS 300; PS 372), Fall 2019 (PS 170; PS 375); Spring 2016 (GWS 350), Spring 2015 (GWS 478/PS413), Spring 2013 (GWS 478/PS 413), Fall 2012 (GWS 550), Spring 2012 (GWS 350), Fall 2009 (GWS 550), Spring 2008 (GWS 478/PS 413; PS 377), Fall 2007 (GWS 350; PS 377); Spring 2005 (GWS 478/PS 413; GWS 350), Spring 2004 (GWS 478/PS 413), Spring 2003 (GWS 478/PS 413), Spring 2002 (GWS 350), Spring 2001 (PS 296).

RESEARCH CONFERENCES, SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS, AND TRAINING COURSES

Conferences, faculty/grad seminars/workshops, and research groups convened

“Biocultural Empires,” with Antoinette Burton (UIUC) and Renisa Mawani (UBC), UIUC, January 2021

- “Experiments in thinking the human” A Bio-Humanities Symposium, IPRH-Mellon Bio-Humanities initiative, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, UIUC, March 30-31, 2017.
- “Developing bio-humanities and bio-social science research methodologies” A University of Illinois and University of Birmingham BRIDGE workshop October 17-19, 2016, UIUC. Co-organized with Deborah Youdell (U. Birmingham)
- “Matters of perception: objects and materialities of affect” A two-week seminar for the Kent Summer School in Critical Theory, Paris, France, June 13-23, 2016
- “Interrogating the Non-Human Turn” Faculty/Graduate Student Seminar and Workshop, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, Spring 2015. With Jodi Byrd, Radhika Govindrajan, Susan Koshy, and Trish Loughran.
- “Queer Ecologies” Research Cluster, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, 2014-2015, co-organizer with Jennifer Monson.
- The Biology of Social and Political Behavior Group, participant, Institute for Genomic Biology.
- “The Politics of Perception: Science, Art, Politics” Provost-funded faculty research seminar, University of Illinois, Fall 2009-Spring 2010. Co-organizer and co-participant, with Alejandro Lleras, Justine Murison, David O’Brien, Bruce Rosenstock, and Dede Ruggles.
- Conference Organizer, “New Materialisms,” A state-of-the-art conference funded by the Mellon Foundation, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, February 16-17, 2007.
- “New Materialisms” Faculty and Graduate Seminar, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, Fall 2006. Co-director, with Michael Rothberg.

KEYNOTES AND PUBLIC LECTURES

- “Hobbes, Life, and the Politics of Self-Preservation” Keynote lecture for the Coloquio Internacional “Materialism: words and power in Hobbes,” Escuela de Gobierno, Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, Santiago, Chile, March 14-15, 2018.
- “The attentive body: epigenetics, the index, and the registers of meaning” Keynote lecture for “Religion and the Science of Life,” the Ian Ramsey Center for Science and Religion, St. Anne’s College, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK July 19-22, 2017.
- “Biocultural creatures and biocultural habitats” Keynote lecture for “El Coloquio Interacional Neomaterialismo: la vida humana y su lugar en el cosmos,” the Faculty of Languages, National University of Córdoba, Argentina September 28, 2016.
- “Biology for Humanists,” Opening lecture for 2013-2014 Rice University Seminar “Materialism and New Materialism Across the Disciplines,” Humanities Research Center, Rice University, Houston, TX September 20, 2013
- “Life, Resistance, Politics” Keynote address at the “Life, Matter, Resistance” conference at the University of Kent, Canterbury UK July 1-2, 2013.
- “Body, Cause, Politics: The Beginnings of *Biology for Humanists*,” Annual Faculty Lecture, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, January 28, 2013.
- “Body, Cause, Politics: Reconsidering the Turn to Biology in Feminist Theory” Keynote address at *Matter Matters: The Social Sciences Beyond the Linguistic Turn*, University of Lund, Lund, Sweden, October 15-16, 2012.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

- “Learning about use from Native American thinkers,” invited talk, Political Science Department,

- University of Colorado, October 14, 2022.
- “Sidebar: Sara Black, Samantha Frost, and Amber Ginsburg discuss Untidy Objects” Gray Center for Arts and Inquiry, University of Chicago, September 29, 2022.
- “Learning about use from Native American thinkers,” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Montreal Canada September 2022.
- “Learning about use from Native American thinkers,” Paper presented on “Other Ways of Worlding: Ontological Difference and Political Horizons” panel, Canadian Political Science Association Annual Meeting, May 30-June 3 2022.
- “Biopolitics” Modern Critical Theory Seminar, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign October 5, 2021.
- “The life by which I live” Paper presented at the Artificial Lives conference, The Huntington Library, San Marino, California, January 21-22, 2021
- “The attentive body: rethinking self and world” Seminar, Language and Materialities Network, Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, Santiago, Chile, October 16, 2020.
- “The attentive body” Political Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA October 24, 2019.
- “Biopolitics” Modern Critical Theory Seminar, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign October 8, 2019
- “Biocultural Creatures” A discussion at the Feminist Theory Pre-Conference, Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA April 17, 2019.
- “The attentive body: epigenetics, the index, and the registers of meaning,” Department seminar series, Department of Political Science, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD October 12, 2017.
- “Ontology, Critique, Politics” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA August 30-September 3, 2017.
- Biocultural Creatures*: Author meets critics roundtable, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL April 2016.
- “Ten theses on the subject of biology and politics” Unit for Criticism Fellows Symposium, UIUC, March 2016.
- “Phenotype: Looking for the Meaning in Life” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington DC, August 2014.
- “Queer Courage and a Post-Immunity Politics,” prepared and presented with Chantal Nadeau (UIUC) at Legal Bodies (*Corpus/Persona/Communitas*): Personhood in Law, Literature, and the Arts. Annual Conference of the Leiden University Centre for the Arts and Humanities in Society, Leiden, the Netherlands, May 15-17, 2014.
- “Biology for Humanists (and Social Scientists too): Habitat” Seminar presentation, The Human Sociogenomic Group, Institute for Genomic Biology, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, April 4, 2014.
- “Genes Beyond Behavior: Rethinking Causation,” Faculty-Student Seminar, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, September 27, 2013.
- “Hobbes, Life and the Politics of Self-Preservation” Invited seminar presentation for “Materialism and New Materialisms Across the Disciplines,” Humanities Research Center, Rice University, Houston, TX September 19, 2013.
- “Genes Beyond Behavior: Rethinking Causation” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL August 28-September 1, 2013.
- “Hobbes, Life and the Politics of Self-Preservation” Invited seminar presentation for the Hobbes Political Theory network, Department of Political Economy, King’s College, London, July 3, 2013.
- “Reconsidering the Implications of Biology for the Study of Politics,” Conference Co-Chair Panel, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2013.
- “Body, Cause, Politics: Reconsidering the Turn to Biology in Feminist Theory,” Political Theory

- Colloquium, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, November 2, 2012.
- “Biology, new materialism, ontology: Thinking about biology as a resource for political theory,” paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC, September 2011
- “Approaching biology and politics” Summer Talk Series, Political Science Department, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, July 14, 2011.
- “Hobbes on Self-Preservation and the Aims of Politics,” paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC, September 2010.
- “Sovereignty, Life, and Biopolitics” paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC, September 2010.
- “Notes towards a theory of trust,” Faculty-Graduate Student Seminar, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, April 17, 2009.
- “Notes towards a theory of trust,” invited lecture, Northwestern University Graduate Student Political Theory Workshop, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, April 10, 2009.
- “Women’s Human Rights,” invited lecture, Rutgers University Honors Colloquium, Rutgers University, New Jersey, October 8, 2008
- “Trust and violence” paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, Massachusetts, September 2008
- “Trust: Hobbes on interdependence, autonomy, and cooperation” Paper presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, California, March 2008.
- “Affect and Trust” Paper presented at “Affect Across the Disciplines: A Panel Discussion,” Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, December 3, 2007.
- “Fear” Paper presented at the “New Materialisms” conference, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, February 16-17, 2007.
- “Trust and Terror” Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, September 2006
- “The Action and Passion of Politics: Hobbes on Power” Paper presented at the American Political Science Association annual meeting, Washington DC September 2005.
- Invited talk, Department of Politics, University of York, York, United Kingdom: Declined February 2005.
- “The Action and Passion of Politics: Hobbes on Power” Invited talk, Northwestern University Political Theory Colloquium, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois January 2005
- “Lies, lies, lies: Hobbes on the conditions of politics” Paper presented as part of The Brown Bag Series, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois, October 2004.
- “Hobbes and the Caprice of Reason” Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, September 2004.
- “Hobbes and the matter of self-consciousness: Making sense of a materialist politics,” invited talk, Political Theory Colloquium, Queen Mary College, University of London, London, United Kingdom, November 26, 2003.
- “Moral Pretense and the Possibility of Politics” Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, September 2001.

TEACHING

Courses Taught

Philosophical Bases of Political Inquiry (Fall 2022)
Power, Politics, and Protest (Fall 2022; Fall 2019)
Feminism, Bioethics, and Biopolitics (Spring 2022/Spring 2021/Spring 2020/Fall 2018)
Feminist Political Theory (Fall 2021/Fall 2020/Fall 2019)
Untidy Objects (U. Chicago) (Fall 2021)
Modern Political Theory (Spring 2021/Spring 2020/Spring 2014)
Biopolitics (Fall 2020 Grad)
Biocultural politics: Biology, embodiment, and the muddled subject (Fall 2018 Grad)
Introduction to Feminist Theory (Spring 2016/Spring 2014/Spring 2012/Fall 2009/Summer 2008/Fall 2007/Fall 2006/Spring 2005/Fall 2003/Spring 2003/Spring 2002)
It's Toxic! (Spring 2016)
The Politics and Principles of Dissent (Spring 2015)
Sex, Power, and Politics (Grad. & Undergrad., Spring 2015/Spring 2013/Spring 2009/Spring 2008/Spring 2007/Spring 2005/Spring 2004/Spring 2003)
New Materialisms (Grad., Fall 2013).
Trust and Terror (Spring 2013/Spring 2009/Spring 2008/Fall 2007/Spring 2007/Fall 2006)
Feminist Theory and Interpretation in the Humanities (Grad., Fall 2012, Fall 2008, Fall 2001)
Biology and Politics (Grad., Fall 2012).
Biology and politics (Spring 2012)
Modern Political Theory (Grad., Fall 2009)
Introduction to Feminist Political Theory (Fall 2008)
Gender and Politics (Summer 2005/Fall 2001)
Senior Research Seminar (Spring 2004)
History and Theory of the Freedom of Expression (Grad., Fall 2003)
The Ethos of Political Engagement (Grad., Spring 2002)
French Feminist Theory (Spring 2000)
The Feminist Sexuality Debates (Spring 2000/Spring 1999).
Feminist Epistemologies: Knowledge, Power, and Politics (Winter 2000/Winter 1999).
Feminist Political Theory and the Social Contract Tradition (Spring 2001/Spring 1999/Spring 1998).
Body Politics/Feminist Politics (Fall 1999/Fall 1998).
Nature of Politics (Fall 1997).

Independent studies: Undergraduate

Senior Thesis (PS 495), Shivani Bhogaraju, Fall 2021/Spring 2022
Senior Thesis (PS 495), Clay Ward, Fall 2021/Spring 2022
Undergraduate research assistantship (PS 492), Abbey Mizer, Mia Seeley, Shanoor Shazad, Michaela Reid, Kelli Cigelnik Spring 2021
Senior Thesis (PS 495), Kyra Sadovi, Fall 2020/Spring 2021
Senior Thesis (PS 495), Kassidy Mahoney, Spring 2021
Independent Study (PS 496), Kassidy Mahoney, Fall 2020

Independent Study (PS 496), Katie Thompson, Spring 2020
Independent Study (PS 496), Kyra Sadovi, Spring 2020
Senior Honors Thesis (PS 496), Nair Banks, Fall 2018/Spring 2019
Senior Honors Thesis (PS 496), Mari Latham, Fall 2018/Spring 2019
Senior Honors Thesis (PS 496), Jack Carrera, Spring 2016
Senior Honors Thesis (PS 496), Hana Nasser, Fall 2015-Spring 2016
Undergraduate research assistantship (PS 492), Karim Popitia, Spring 2013
Independent Study, Tom Fitzpatrick, Spring 2009
Independent Study, Mallory Edgar, Spring 2009
Independent Study/Senior Thesis, Renee Chacko, Spring/Fall 2008
Washington Center Internship, Riley Roberts, Spring 2008
Undergraduate Independent Study, Yukiko Sato, Summer 2001
Undergraduate Independent Study/Teaching Mentor, Leia LeFay, Spring 1999
Advisor/mentor, Faculty Mentor Program sponsored by the Equal Opportunity Program, University of California, Santa Cruz, Winter-Spring 1999.

Independent Studies: Graduate

Graduate Independent Study (PS 590), Zach Jablow, Fall 2023
Graduate Independent Study (PS 590), Katie Worrell, Fall 2021
Thesis Research (PS 599), Michael Uhall, Spring 2016-Fall 2018
Research in Selected Topics (590), Michael Uhall, Spring 2016
Thesis Research (PS 599), Michael Uhall, Fall 2015
Research in Selected Topics (590), Michael Uhall, Fall 2015
Graduate Independent Study, Sara Bolond-Taylor, Summer 2013
Graduate Independent Study, Michael Uhall, Fall 2012
Graduate Independent Study, J. Patrick Fadely, Fall 2012
Graduate Independent Study, David Monje, Spring 2004
Graduate Independent Study, Marina Levina, Summer 2002

Graduate Student Doctoral Committees

Allan Hillani (The New School)
Anne-Sofie Dichman (University of Copenhagen)
Elsher Lawson-Boyd (University of Deakin), Defense Summer 2022
Erin Grogran (English, UIUC), Defense Summer 2022
Didier Zuñiga (Political Science, University of Victoria) External Examiner June 2020
Michael Uhall (Political Science, UIUC)
 Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee and Dissertation Committee, Chair
 Defense May 2019
Rebecah Pulsifer (English, UIUC)
 Doctoral Thesis Committee, Defense Spring 2017
Wendy Truran (English, UIUC)
 Doctoral Thesis Committee

Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Fall 2014
Claire Barber (English, UIUC)
Doctoral Thesis Committee, Defense August 2014
Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Spring 2011
Maria Temmes (Gender Studies/Science Studies, Central European University)
Doctoral Qualifying Exam, External Reader, Spring 2014
Sara Boland-Taylor (Theater, UIUC)
Doctoral Thesis Committee
Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Spring 2014
Rebecca Rose (Philosophy, UIUC)
Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Fall 2013
J. Patrick Fadely (English, UIUC)
Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Spring 2013
Leslie Caughell (Political Science, UIUC)
Doctoral Thesis Committee, Summer 2012
Ashley Hetrick (English, UIUC)
Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Fall 2011
Julie McCormick (English, UIUC)
Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Spring 2011
Linda Vigdor (Ed. Psych, UIUC)
Doctoral Thesis Committee, Defense August 2010
Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Summer 2007
Diem-My Bui (ICR, UIUC)
Doctoral Examination Committee, Spring 2004

University and Community

Guest lecture, “Kicks for Chicks: Why Taekwondo is Good for Girls (And Why Knowing This Will Make You a Better Teacher),” HMD Academy for Taekwondo, Savoy, Illinois, April 17, 2009.

Guest lecture, “French feminist theory,” Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory Seminar, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, November 15, 2004.

Panel participant, “New Reproductive Technologies and Reproductive Health”, Medical Scholars Program, The Medical Services Building, Provena Covenant Hospital, Urbana, Illinois, February 9, 2004.

Guest lecture, “Rethinking the ‘natural’ in ‘natural mothering’,” Mothers and More (Champaign Chapter), Champaign, Illinois, October 23, 2003.

Panel participant, “New Reproductive Technologies and Reproductive Health”, Medical Scholars Program, Fritz Conference Room, The Forum at Carle Hospital, Urbana, Illinois, February 10, 2003.

Guest Lecture, “Language, Representation, and Politics,” Graduate Proseminar (COMM 471), Institute of Communications Research, November 11, 2002

Teaching development

Reflective Teaching Seminar participant, LAS Teaching Academy, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Fall 2006-Spring 2007

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Disciplines

Panel Chair, “Viral Politics,” APSA, Montreal, 2022.

Member, the APSA Ethics Committee, 2015-2018

Member, Foundations of Political Theory Council, APSA 2013-2015

Section Chair, Foundations—Early to Modern Political Theory, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2008.

Panel Organizer, “Community in Trust: Reconsidering the Ties that Bind,” a panel for the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Diego, CA 2008.

Panel Organizer, “Materialism and Politics,” a panel for the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, 2004.

Panel Organizer, “What Should We Do? Affirmative Ethics and Political Theory,” a panel for the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, California 2001.

Discussant for “Hobbes on Mortality and Fellowship,” a panel at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, The Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Washington DC, August 31– September 3, 2000.

Panel Organizer, “New Directions from the Next Generation” for “Celebrating a Decade of Women and Politics” Conference at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, April 1998.

Member, American Political Science Association, 1997-2007

University

Member, Executive Committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences 2020-2022 (Vice-Chair 2021-2022)

Member, Multi-Racial Democracy Selection Committee, Campus Research Board, UIUC 2020-2022; 2019-2020; 2018-2019.

Member, Ad-Hoc Committee for Promotion to Full, College of LAS, Spring 2019-Fall 2019

Member, Senate Educational Policy Committee, UIUC, 2017-2018

Member, Campus Strategic Planning Humanities Task Force Committee, UIUC, 2017-2018.

IPRH-Mellon Bio-humanities Undergraduate Intern Selection Committee, UIUC, Spring 2016, Spring 2017

IPRH-Mellon Bio-humanities Pre-doctoral Fellowship Selection Committee, UIUC, Spring 2016, Spring 2017

IPRH-Mellon Bio-humanities Postdoctoral Fellowship Selection Committee, UIUC, Fall 2015

Mellon Foundation New Directions Fellowship Selection Committee, UIUC, Fall 2015

Director, IPRH-Mellon Biohumanities Research Group, University of Illinois, 2016-2019

Executive Co-Chair, Provost’s Grand Challenge Learning Leadership Committee, University of Illinois, 2015

OVCR Interdisciplinary Humanities Working Group, Fall 2013-Spring 2015

Network for Neurocultures Fellowship Selection Committee 2012-2013

Committee on Academic Standards 2012-2013
 Nominations Committee 2012-2014.
 Gender Equity Council member, 2012-2013.
 Mellon Foundation New Directions Fellowship Selection Committee, UIUC, Fall 2010.
 Panel Chair, “Body Politics in the Longue Duree,” a panel at the Eighth Annual Graduate Symposium on Women’s and Gender History, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, March 8-9, 2007
 Coordinator, with Melissa Orlie, of a two-week visiting Distinguished Mellon Fellowship on the UIUC campus funded by the Mellon Foundation. The visit included a radio interview on WILL AM580, a public lecture through the Unit for Criticism, other more informal presentations, seminars, and discussions, as well as a keynote address at the Mellon-sponsored state-of-the-art “New Materialisms” conference at UIUC February 16-17, 2007. The Distinguished Mellon Fellow was William Connolly, Johns Hopkins University. February 5-February 17, 2007.
 Event coordinator and host, Center for Advanced Study/MillerComm Lecture: Elizabeth Grosz (Rutgers), “Kinsey and the Future of Female Sexuality,” September 9, 2004.
 The coordination of this visit included the arrangement of both an additional academic panel and a radio interview on the local PBS affiliate WILL580.
 Panel organizer and panel chair, “The tasks of feminist theory: a panel discussion” featuring Elizabeth Grosz (Rutgers), Iris Young (U. Chicago), and Angharad Valdivia (UIUC), sponsored by the Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, September 9, 2004.
 Panel chair, “Feminism and Feminist Theory” Fourth Annual Graduate Symposium on Women’s and Gender History, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, March 13-15, 2003

Departments

Member, Ad Hoc Committee for Promotion to Full Fall 2022
 Political Theory Field Chair, Department of Political Science, 2007-2009, 2011-2017, 2019-2022
 Chair, Ad Hoc Committee for 3rd Year Review
 Chair, Ad Hoc Committee for Promotion to Full Fall 2019
 Graduate Affairs Committee, 2019-2020
 Admissions Committee, Department of Political Science, 2012-2013, 2015-2017, 2019
 Instructional Programs and Internships Committee, 2018-2019.
 Capricious Grading Committee, Department of Political Science 2014-2015, 2017-2018
 Awards Committee, Gender and Women’s Studies, 2016-2017
 Feminist Political Theory Postdoctoral Selection Committee, Chair, 2016
 Executive Committee, Gender and Women’s Studies, 2011-2012; 2014-2016
 Second Year Review Committee, Political Science, Spring 2008, 2009, 2011-16
 Third Year Review Teaching Observation, Gender and Women’s Studies, 2015
 Chair, Ad Hoc Committee for Petition for Departmental Affiliation, Department of Political Science, 2015.
 Curriculum Committee, Gender and Women’s Studies, 2012-2015
 Chair, Ad Hoc Political Theory Lecturer Search Committee, Department of Political Science, 2014

Awards Committee, Department of Political Science, 2013-2014
Comparative Political Institutions Search Committee, Department of Political Science, 2013
Advisory Committee, Department of Political Science, 2012-2013
Ad-Hoc TOP Search Committee, Department of Political Science, 2013.
Undergraduate Advisor Search Committee, Department of Political Science, 2012
Advisory Committee, Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, 2007-2009
Field Chair Committee, Department of Political Science, 2007-2009
Assessment Committee, Gender and Women's Studies 2008-2009
School for Criticism and Theory Selection Committee, Unit for Criticism, 2008
Curriculum Committee, Department of Political Science, 2007-2008
By-laws Committee, Gender and Women's studies 2007-2008
Executive Committee, Gender and Women's Studies 2006-2008
Grievance Committee, Institute of Communications Research 2003-2004
Executive Committee, Gender and Women's Studies 2003-2004
Curriculum Committee, Gender and Women's Studies 2003-2004
Women's Studies Executive Committee, University of California, Santa Cruz, 1998–2000.

Manuscript Review

Journals: *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Australian Feminist Studies*, *BioSocieties*, *Body and Society*, *Communication Theory*, *Contemporary Political Theory*, *Epoque*, *European Journal for Political Theory*, *Feminist Theory*, *History of the Human Sciences (HHS)*, *History of Philosophy Quarterly*, *Hobbes Studies*, *International Theory*, *Journal of Politics*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Philosophy and Rhetoric*, *Political Psychology*, *Political Review Quarterly*, *Political Theory*, *Review of Politics*, *SIGNS*, *Theory, Culture and Society (TCS)*.

Books: Yale University Press, Kluwer Academic Press, Stanford University Press, Palgrave, University of Minnesota Press, Penn State University Press, University of Chicago Press, Routledge UK.

Editorial Boards: *Borderlands* e-journal, *Australian Feminist Studies*.

Grant Review

Research Board (UIUC), European Research Council, Leverhulme Foundation/British Academy, National Science Foundation, Research Foundation - Flanders (Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek - Vlaanderen, FWO), Social Science and Humanities Research Council (Canada), the Royal Society, C2W Université de Mons (Belgium).

Promotion Review

University of Pittsburgh (Assoc., Full); University of Texas at Austin (Full); Yale-NUS (Assoc); University of Illinois-Chicago (Full); University of Wisconsin (Associate); University of Copenhagen (Senior).